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to interest, instruct, and benefit its readers.

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good terms as at any other office.

To the friends of Temperance and
the public generally we now make our appeal
in behalf of this paper. The publisher
feeling it a matter of importance to the in-
terest of the Temperance cause in the Dis-
trict, as well as the general interest of the
cause, and having been, as he conceives,
Providentially placed in a situation at this
time when he can mingle this interest with
that of the business men, and thereby ren-
der a double service to the community, and
still further open a medium of communica-
tion by which our principles may be ex-
tended far and wide, at a cheap rate, he
has purchased a printing establishment, so
as not only to be able to put a daily paper
regularly to press, but also a weekly; and
still further, be able to do any other print-
ing the public may be pleased to have done;
and he assures them that they shall have
no cause of complaint. He has made ar-
rangements by which he can devote his
time to the interest of the office and the pa-
per; and, having employed Mr. Charles W.
Fenton, who will be always on the spot, to
conduct the printing, he has no doubt but
that general satisfaction will be given. We
shall make arrangements to have the earliest
news; also the proceedings of Congress.

We wish all who are indebted for the pa-
per up to this time to pay up, as the affairs
of the tri-weekly must be closed. They
will perceive that we are about to give
them a better paper, double the number, at
the same price.

While the "COLUMBIAN FOUNTAIN" will
be devoted to the cause of Temperance, its
columns will be enriched by original articles
on subjects calculated to interest, instruct,
and benefit its readers. It is intended so to
blend variety, amusement, and instruction,
as that the various tastes of its patrons may
be (as far as it is practicable) gratified.
Commerce, Literature, and Science, and
every other subject of interest, not inconsis-
tent with Temperance and morality, will re-
ceive the earnest attention of the publisher.
Nothing of a sectarian, political, or personal
character will be admitted.

A Card.

THE subscriber takes this method to inform his
customers, and the public generally, that he
has, for the present, removed his Boot and Shoe
establishment on the opposite side of the street,
next door to Mr. Kinney's confectionary, and op-
posite to Mr. Dyer's Auction Store, South side of
Pennsylvania Avenue, between 10th and 11th
streets, where he can be found at all times, ready
to execute any orders he may be favored with,
at the shortest notice, and in the best and most fa-
shionable style. He would also wish his customers
and the public generally, to take notice that his en-
tire stock will be sold, from and after this date, at
Cost, and no mistake. To those wishing to pur-
chase, he would say call and see his stock, consist-
ing of almost every article, size, quality, and price,
in his line of business, worn by gentlemen, ladies,
boys, misses, youths and children.

THOMAS B. GRIFFIN.

N. B. The subscriber has on hand between 200
and 300 pairs black and white satin, and black
and white Kid slippers of the finest quality, at \$1 25
per pair. T. B. G.
march 25-1f

JUDSON'S PORTRAIT.—Subscriptions
will be received at Wm. Q. Forster's bookstore,
corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 10th street, for
copies of the Portrait of Dr. Judson, now in course
of preparation, and soon to be published under the
direction of the Baptist Board of Foreign Missions,
at the following prices: Lithograph, on good paper,
25 cents; on fine board, 50 cents; steel engraving,
on common plate paper, \$1; India proof impressions,
\$2. The Portrait is from a Painting by Harding,
and is in size nine inches by eleven. feb 6-1f

FOR SALE.

THE subscriber will sell, on accommodating terms,
the following property, to wit: THE BRICK
HOUSE now occupied for the publication of the
Columbian Fountain, four TWO-STORY FRAME
HOUSES, and A COTTAGE, fronting on First
street South, fronting the Capitol. Application
can be made either at my dwelling, near the Rail-
road, or Lumber Yard office, Seventh street, near
the Canal, where all kinds of BUILDING MA-
TERIALS, together with CEMENT, CALCIN-
ED PLASTER, COAL, &c., &c., can be had
cheap for cash or short credit. feb 17, 1846.—1f JOHN PURDY,

BUSINESS CARDS.

BENJAMIN HOMANS,
Auctioneer and Commission Merchant,
Between 10th and 11th Streets, fronting Penn-
sylvania Avenue.

Sales of Real Estate, Furniture, and Personal
Property, attended to at any place within the city,
march 9-1f

DENNIS PUMPHREY'S Livery Stable, cor-
ner of 6th and C streets. Horses and Car-
riages to hire. Horses taken at livery, and kept
in the best manner.

A. GLADMON,
House Carpenter and Joiner.

Shop corner of 9th and M streets, Washington.
Where, at all times, Sash, Blinds, Doors, &c., can
be had. All manner of work in his line will be ex-
ecuted at the shortest notice.

HOMCEPATHY.—Dr. Jonas Green, (late of
Philadelphia,) tenders his professional ser-
vices to the citizens of Washington and its vicinity,
as a practitioner of the Homoeopathic system of medi-
cine. His residence is on C street, near 3d.
dec 23-1f

BRISCOE & CLARKE, Dealers in Cloths, Cas-
simeres, Vestings, &c., Pennsylvania avenue,
a few doors west of Brown's Hotel.

ISAAC STODDARD.—Blacksmithing in gen-
eral, on Four and a half, between E and F sts.
Work done cheap.

WILLIAM P. SHEDD,

Old Centre Market, opposite J. Walker's.
KEEPS constantly for sale all kinds of fresh
meats; meat well dressed, and at moderate
prices. march 11-1f

PRESLEY SIMPSON, Pennsylvania Avenue,
North side, 2d door east of 11th street, keeps
a general assortment of Family Groceries.

ANDREW J. JOYCE, Horse Shoeing and
Smithing Establishment, successor to John
Daley, corner of 14th and E streets, near Fuller's
Hotel. Thankful for the patronage he has received
from a liberal public, he solicits a continuance
of the same.

W. H. GUNNELL.—Dealer in Lumber,
Lime, Wood, &c. Corner of Canal and
6th streets, near Pennsylvania Avenue.

D. R. HAMILTON P. HOWARD, tenders his
professional services to the citizens of Wash-
ington, D. C. He may be found at Dr. F. How-
ard's, N. E. corner of F and 11th sts. Dec. 2—

RICHARD VANSANT,
Merchant Tailor and Gentlemen's furnishing store,
Pennsylvania avenue, between 14th and 15th
streets, and adjoining Fuller's Hotel.
march 12-1f

W. M. NOELL, Venetian Blind maker, south
side Pennsylvania avenue, between 9th and
10th streets. Blinds of all sizes and colors, fur-
nished to order. Old blinds retimmed and painted.

JONATHAN T. WALKER.—House car-
penter and joiner on K street, shop corner K
and 8th streets.

FRANCIS Y. NAYLOR,
Copper, Tin, Sheet-Iron and Stove Manufacturer.
Roofing, Guttering, Spouting, &c. South side
Pennsylvania avenue, near Third-street, Wash-
ington, City, D. C.

C. H. VAN PATTEN, M. D., Dentist,
PERFORMS all operations upon the Teeth,
Gums and Mouth, with the greatest care and
skill. Office near Brown's Hotel, and next door to
Todd's Hat Store. feb 25-1f

CHEAP FOR CASH!!

L. S. BECK & SON,
House-Furnishing Store, Pennsylvania
Avenue, South side, between 9th and 10th
streets, Washington.

We have on hand new and second-hand goods:
such as Bedsteads, Beds, and Bedding; Tables,
Chairs, Bureaus and Sideboards; China, Glass,
and Crockeryware, Cutlery, Hollow-ware of every
variety, Shovels and Tongs, Carpets, Brooms,
Brushes, Willow and Woodware; with a vari-
ety of articles too numerous to mention. apr 16

J. S. BALL,
Dealer in Tobacco, Snuff & Cigars, Pennsylvania
Avenue, between Fuller's & Gallabrun's Hotel.
april 22.

J. S. BALL also repairs Watches and Jewelry.
april 22-1f

EARTHENWARE, CHINA AND GLASS,

T. PURSELL, Importer and Dealer in E. Ware,
China and Glass, wholesale and retail, at
his store, opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania
avenue, Washington city, D. C.

CUPPING, LEECHING AND BLEEDING
A large supply of best Swedish Leeches,
already on hand, to be applied or for sale, by
SAML. DEVAUGHN, 9th street,
Who also has ICE for sale whenever called for,
as above. april 2-1f

W. WHITNEY.—Boot and Shoe Dealer,
opposite Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania
Avenue, has received his fall stock of Boots and
Shoes suitable for plantation use, he invites the at-
tention of those who wish such articles, and prom-
ises them good bargains.

GEORGE COLLARD,
DEALER IN LUMBER, WOOD, COAL, LIME
SAND, AND CEMENT,
Corner of 6th st. and Missouri Avenue.
Nov. 4 2—

D. CLAGETT & CO.,
DEALERS IN FANCY AND STAPLE DRY
GOODS, CARPETINGS, OIL CLOTHS,
CURTAIN STUFFS, &c.
Corner of 9th street & Penn. avenue,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FURNITURE.—New and second hand, daily re-
ceived. For sale, on reasonable terms, by
B. HOMANS,
april 13. Between 10th and 11th streets.

J. E. W. THOMPSON,
CABINET MAKER & UNDERTAKER,
F between 13th and 14th sts., north side.
Horses kept, and funerals attended to.
Nov. 4—y

Hardware! Hardware!! Hardware!!!

E. WHEELER, Penn. Avenue, near 7th street.
HAS just opened an entire new and well select-
ed assortment of Hardware, Cutlery and
Fancy Goods, which he offers for sale at whole-
sale or retail, on as accommodating terms as they
can be had in the district.

His stock consists in part of the following arti-
cles: Rogers' & Son's and others' Table Cutlery
in complete sets, Ivory, Buffalo, Buck, Bone, and
Cocoa Dining, and Desert Knives and Forks, Ger-
man Silver, and Britannia, Tea and Table Spoons,
Penknives, Razors, Scissors, Nut Picks, and
Crackers, Cooks', Butchers', Shoe and Carving
Knives, Snuffers and Trays, Plated, Steel and
Brass Andirons, Shovels and Tongs, Shovel and
Tong Stands, and Fenders, Tea Trays and Wait-
ers, in sets and separately, Bellmetal and Porce-
lain Preserving Kettles, Iron, Tin, Tea Kettles and
Sauce Pans, Long and Short Handle Frying Pans,
and Stove Pans, Ovens and Lids, Pots, Skillets,
Griddles and extra Lids, Iron Furnaces, Potatoes
Steamers, Mortars and Pestles, Waffle Irons, Sad
Irons, Skimmers, Ladles and Forks, Coffee Mills,
Sifters, Bread Toasters, &c., Shovels, Spades,
Forks, Hay and Straw Knives, Axes, Hatchets,
Hammers, Saws and Planes, Cut, wrought and
Horse Shoe Nails, Cut Tacks, pat. Brads and Spar-
ables, Rim, Cottage, Mortise and Stock Locks,
Closet, Cupboard, Tilt, Chest, Trunk and Pad
Locks, Mortise Stop, Knob and Thumb Latches,
and Bolts, Table, Butt, Parianment, H. L. & Strap
Hinges, Palmer's pat. Blind Hinges, to fasten
back to and Farnham's pat. Window Blind fast-
eners, Common and Axle Sash Pulleys and sash
Cord, New England Co. Wood Screws all sizes,
Sofa Springs, Bed Screws, Castors and Furniture
Knobs, Curtain Bands and Pins, Iron and Brass
Haj and Coat Hooks, Single and Double Barrel
Guns and Apparatus, Brushes, Combs, Buttons,
Needles and Pins, Shoe Thread, Cotton, Worsted,
Diaper, Boot and Straining Web, Curry Combs,
Horse Cards, Wool Cards, Ox, Trace Halters,
Backband and Dog Chains, Brass, Copper and Iron
Wire, Round, Flat and Square Iron, Hoop and
Band Iron, Nail Rods, Burdens' pat. Horse Shoes,
Carriage Springs, Wagon Boxes, American and
English Blister, Cast and Sheet Steel, &c., &c.
All of which, he will sell as low as can be had
at any regular Hardware House in the city.
Washington, Nov. 4, 1845.

COMBS, BRUSHES, AND PERFUMERY.—
We have just returned from the North with an
extensive assortment of the above-named articles,
and are now ready to supply our customers with
the best and freshest Perfumery, consisting of Po-
matoms, Ox Marrow, and Oils for beautifying and
promoting the growth of the hair; Cold Cream,
Lip Salve, Bay Rum, Farina Cologne, Lubin's Ex-
tracts for the handkerchief, with a great variety of
English and French Hair Brushes.

Also, Shell, Buffalo, and Horn dressing, tuck, and
side Combs; Nail and Tooth Brushes; a very fine
article of Purses, all of which we are determined
to sell cheaper than the cheapest.

S. PARKER'S Perfumery and
Fancy Store, bet. 9th and 10th streets,
Pennsylvania avenue. nov 4-1f

GEORGE W. CLARKE, BUILDER, AND
GENERAL FURNISHING UNDERTAKER
corner of Virginia avenue and 9th street, near the
Navy Yard Gate—or at his residence, on the west
side of 11th street, near the eastern Branch bridge.
—Thankful for the liberal patronage with which
he has already been favored, he respectfully solicits
a continuance of the same.

Always on hand, ready for use, Pine, Cherry,
Walnut, Poplar, and Mahogany, which he manu-
factures into Coffins at the shortest notice, and on
the most reasonable terms.

Hearse and carriages furnished at the shortest
notice. All orders thankfully received and prompt-
ly attended to at all hours, if left at the above place.
N. B.—Carpenters work in all its branches done
on the most reasonable terms, and at the shortest
notice.

Old Furniture repaired and varnished, and made
look equal to new. dec 18-6m

LOOK THIS WAY EVERY BODY:

Painting done by the art of Hocus Pocus.
THOMAS HILTON, House, Sign, and Orna-
mental Painter. Old Chairs repainted, and
Furniture varnished. He will be ready for the
prompt execution of work at all times, on the most
reasonable terms. Shop on 12th street, between
G and H streets. march 12-1f

CUMBERLAND COAL, from the celebrated
mines of the Maryland Mining Com-
pany, and of a quality better than any heretofore of-
fered in this market, can be had by the car load, or
smaller quantity, at J. PURDY'S
Coal and Lumber Yard, Centre-market.
feb 6-1f

GRAND DICTIONNAIRE FRANCAIS—
Anglais, et Anglais Francais; by Professors
Fleming and Tibbins. In two large quarto vol-
umes.

"Révisé d'après la sixième édition du Diction-
naire de l'Académie Francaise, le complément de
ce dictionnaire, la dernière édition de Chambans,
Garnier, et J. Desbarres, le Dictionnaire Gram-
matical de Laveau, et le Lexique Universel de
Boiste, les Dictionnaires Anglais de Johnson, Todd,
Ash, Webster, et Crabbe, et les principaux ou-
vrages technologiques de l'une et l'autre langue; et
containing all the words in use in both lan-
guages, together with the obsolete terms connected
with literature; technical terms used in the
arts, sciences, and manufactures, in the naval and
military sciences, in law, trade, and commerce; ge-
ographical and mythological terms, with the ad-
jectives or epithets elucidating history; a literal
nomenclature of English words for the use of the
French student, and of French words for the Eng-
lish; accurate and discriminating definitions, with
examples and illustrations tending to display and
fix the signification, import, rank, and character, of
each individual word; peculiar constructions, modes
of speech, idioms, sayings, and proverbs; etymology,
exhibiting words in their origin and affinities;
grammar, synonymy, &c. Published in Paris in
1845. Imported (a single copy only) by
feb 7-1f F. TAYLOR.

MEDICAL NOTICE.
DR. PHILANDER GOULD offers his profes-
sional services to the citizens of Washington.
Office on Pennsylvania avenue, opposite Messrs.
Brown's Hotel. april 11-3m

New Flour Store.

THE subscriber has taken the warehouse on the
north side of water street, opposite Messrs.
Read & Son, and intends keeping a supply of all
the various grades of flour. He will endeavor to
make it the interest of dealers in the article to give
him a call, as he is determined to sell at small pro-
fits. LEWIS BROOKS,
feb 7-1f Water street, Georgetown.

POETRY.

Its words
Are few, but deep and solemn, and they break
Fresh from the fount of feeling!—Perceval.

TO A FLOWER.

Down, gentle flower;
From the morning earth!
We will gaze and wonder
At thy wondrous birth.

Bloom gentle flower;
Lover of the light,
Sought by wind and shower,
Fondled by the night!

Fade, gentle flower!
All thy white leaves close;
Haying shown thy beauty,
Time 'tis for repose.

Die, gentle flower,
In the silent sun!
So—all pangs are over,
All thy tasks are done.

Day hath no more glory,
Though he soars so high;
Thine is all man's story;
LIVE—AND—LOVE—AND DIE.

A DESIRE FOR HOLINESS.

Published at the request of a friend.
Give me thyself, from every boast;
From every wish set free;
Let all I am in thee be lost,
But give thyself to me.

The painful thirst, the fond desire;
Thy joyous presence shall remove,
But my full soul shall still require
A whole eternity of love.

My heart-strings groan with deep complaint;
My flesh lies panting, Lord, for thee;
And every limb and every joint,
Stretches for perfect purity.

Help me, O Lord, gird on my shield
In all I think and all I do,
May I thy goodness sweetly feel,
And know my course through life is true.

W. A. R.

CHOICE READING.

"If you enlighten the people, do not forget that this
is but half the work. Let them be made virtuous and
religious, or you leave them more exposed to danger
than they were before."

For the Columbian Fountain.

THE WONDERS OF THE AGE.

Messrs. Editors: What think you of
this mild and beautiful spring weather? I
do not know how you may be affected,
but to me it is delightful in the extreme.
Although of a cold, phlegmatic tempera-
ment, I confess it has the effect to warm my
blood, enliven my spirits, quicken my
speed, and make me feel quite young again.
It induces a disposition to ramble, to stroll
through fields and woods, "o'er hills and
dales," to seek out and admire the beauties
that nature has spread everywhere around us.

In one of these, my accustomed rambles,
I found myself, but yesterday, on a lofty
eminence, or rising ground, somewhere
east of the Capitol. I stopped to gaze on
the beautiful and picturesque scenery around.
The Capitol of this mighty nation, the most
thriving and prosperous nation the world
has yet seen, was still in view. The beau-
tiful flags of our country were there unfurled,
and playing in the breeze; beneath
which the Representatives of the people
were legislating for a world. The fields
and woods were spread out in delightful
prospect; the little spires of grass, the buds
and flowers, just starting into life, through
the genial influence of returning spring. A
quiet little stream was wending its way
along the vale beneath my feet. The Heav-
ens were smiling above me. The sun
poured down his golden rays through flocks
of ether, pure as the atmosphere that plays
around the peaks of our loved Alleghanies.
Not a cloud obscured the sky—all was
bright, and beautiful, and still. What a
lovely and enchanting spot! Here, thought
I, is the place for the lover to resort to
and dwell on the charms of his mistress; the
philosopher, to survey the heavens and the
earth, and admire the wonders of creation;
the poet, to drink in the inspirations of poe-
try; the patriot, to renew his vows of devo-
tion and fidelity to his country; the holy
Christian, like Moses, on the Mount, to
hold communion with his God.

While, absorbed in this delightful reverie,
a rumbling sound, like that of distant thun-
der, fell upon my ear. Started at the

sound, I eagerly sought the cause. Could
it be thunder, thought I, and from a
cloudless sky! A hasty glance told me
it was not there. I am unaccustomed to
such phenomena, but it will soon be past,
and still the sound moved on. Alarmed, I
wished it farther off; and yet, nearer and
more near the sound approached. Soon a
long line of dense, black smoke was seen
rising in the air, and spreading towards the
Capitol. An earthquake, an earthquake, a
volcano, I exclaimed, in a loud and tremu-
lous voice. A moment more, and yon
proud Capitol, is no more, you city laid in
ruins—perhaps submerged in water. Our
fate is sealed; the earth trembles beneath
my feet. A moment more, and all is over.

In this agonizing dilemma, a train of car-
riages, like an hundred wagons chained to-
gether, without team or teamster, came
rumbling along as swift as a torrent of
wind. No motive power, no force of
traction, no visible agent, and yet the swift-
est race horse would be left behind. A large
party of ladies and gentlemen, within, were
gay, joyous, lively, as if nearing some fairy
land. A perfect miracle, thought I. The
front carriage, or leader, if I may so say,
beholding thick columns of black smoke,
just ready to burst in flames, and set the
world on fire. A terrible messenger has ar-
rived, thought I, the dread precursor, per-
haps, of "war, pestilence and famine."

A thrill of horror shot through my soul;
my heart sickened; my senses reeled; my
eyes grew dim; I staggered to and fro like
a drunken sailor in a storm.

In this state of bewilderment a country-
man passed by. Accosting him, I asked,
tremblingly, what those things were?

"O, that is the train from Baltimore,"

said he.

"The train from where," I asked, "from
Purgatory?"

"No, no," said he, "the Rail Road
Cars, from Baltimore."

"What makes them run so fast," cried I.

"Steam, steam, steam," he halloed, as
he went bounding down the hill, "dunt you
see the old engine ahead?"

A thought flashed upon my mind, new,
bright, marvelous beyond description. Here
was a Rail Road that we had heard so much
about, and cars moved by the power of
steam, with such astonishing velocity. Here
is a grand specimen of that wondrous
power that virtually annihilates space, and
brings the vast confines of our mighty re-
public into immediate contact, and close
alliance. The same mysterious power is
applied to boats on our lakes and rivers, and
to vessels crossing the broad ocean, which
brings the most distant nations into im-
mediate contact and contiguity with each oth-
er. What a wonderful revolution is creat-
ed throughout the world by this mysterious
agent, the power of steam!

"Spirit of Fulton!" I cried, "is this the
grand scheme you dreamed over so many
long days and anxious nights, during your
pilgrimage on earth? Is this the consum-
mation of that wonderful piece of machine-
ry which your genius set in motion, to ec-
lectrify and astonish mankind? Is this the
grand scheme you planned, in an age of re-
volutions, to revolutionize the world? Thanks
to my stars, mine eyes have seen the sight.
Now let thy servant depart in peace."

This is one of the wonders of the age,
so says, POOR RICHARD.

Nearly 6,000 persons arrived at St. Louis, in
one week, lately, by steamboats.

BOOKS FOR SALE.

By U. Ward & Son, at their New Store on
Penn. Avenue, near Railroad Depot.

WEBSTER'S Octavo Dictionary
Scott's Observations on the New Testament
Bower's History of the Popes
Miriam, by Rev. J. Todd
Todd's Bible Companion
Common Prayer Book, in various bindings
Robbins' Outlines of History
Goodrich's Pictorial History of the U. States
Do do do of France
Parley's Common School History
Anthony's Caesar, Horace, Sallust, Cicero, and
Virgil
Mitchell's Geography for Schools; besides a
variety of other School Books.
TEMPERANCE VOLUMES.
Embracing a number of excellent and popular
productions in the form of Essays, Tales, &c.
Hymn Books, &c., of the Methodist Churches,
Bibles of all sizes, and various binding.
Testaments.

Also,

All kinds of Stationery, which will be sold at the
lowest prices for cash. april 29-1f